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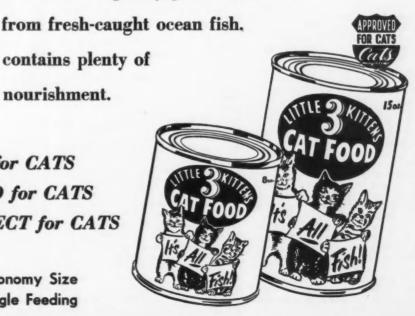
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The Women

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Dear Editors:

All my life I've been one of those persons who has upset family life (thank goodness for a patient mother) by bringing in all the frustrated, mangy, starved cats I could find. Now my daughter has gone me one better: since she first was old enough to befriend them, we have had stillions of the poor creatures here. And Susan has been angel and minister to uncounted cats. She was assistant to the county vet and to Air Force vets when in W.A.F. service. We have no ASPCA in Oswego.

My son, now in the Navy, was recognized as being the youngest professional photofinisher in the states before entering the service. He happened to be on leaveand on the spot with a camera to take the enclosed photograph of Easter, the black cat, holding his own with a friend(?). Easter, owned by Mrs. Sadie Welsh, was Pyewacket in the local production of Bell, Book and Candle. He was a splendid actor and quite won the audience. The Players actually held a one minute requiem at a meeting when informed that some neighbor had poisoned Easter after the play.

Betty Huey Saunders 165 East Third Street Oswego, New York

Sterner Stuff

Dear Editors:

In answer to some of the inquiries about possible ages of cats, I'd like to report on one that lived on a farm in Monterey, Massachusetts. A neighbor of mine was able to keep a fairly accurate idea of his cat's age as his daughter was born the same year as the cat. This hardy feline lived to be nearly twenty-three.

She was a yellow and white part-longhair and had, even in her last year, two litters every year. She was a great hunter of snakes and just before she died, I recall seeing her drag half of a big garter snake back to her kittens.

She nursed her litters till they were quite large and then would take them to some farm; give them a last meal; catch a chipmunk for them and leave them in the vegetable garden in the hope they could support themselves or win the approbation of the people of the house by destroying or scaring away young rab-

bits and field mice.

In her last year, she even survived a rather serious encounter with a lawn mower without the help of a veterinarian. In fact, she never did in her long life have professional medical aid. I don't suppose the pampered pet of today can be expected to be as vigorous in old age. Margery Mansfield

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Dear Editors:

Please print more pleas to pet cat owners to have their females spayed and the males neutered. My husband is president of Winnebago County Humane Society and after ten years of hard work and effort we still haven't a shelter but we do have as many unwanted cats and kittens as ever.

I now have eleven kittens in my home, all strays, and another to be brought in this morning. We have two large toms in the outside shelter along with a handsome half-grown male and a beautiful Calico mother cat who is expecting. She is much too nice a cat to be put to sleep. My husband made all the outside shelters and I begged a three-tier rabbit hutch to house ten kittens that had to be placed in homes.

We ask everyone to have all kittens inoculated. Last summer a little stray brought enteritis in and it was terrible. My own cats have always been inoculated but the little waifs died terrible deaths. Now all are inoculated when they are brought in. We try to get the fee from the people who adopt them. We feel that anyone who really loves cats will pay to keep them well.

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COVER

John F. Moore gives us another of his great pictures of natural kittens under natural conditions. Mr. Moore, who is a professional photographer, lives in Los Angeles.



No Papers?!

Dear Editors:

Enclosed you will find the subscription certificate for your wonderful magazine that was awarded to my cat at the Michigan All Breed Cat Club show in Detroit.

It is certainly a wonderful system when your cat needn't be a purebred nor have papers to receive beautiful rosettes, ribbons and gifts such as we received. I do wish more people would realize that they can enter their household pets in a show. There would then be more company and competition for domestic cats such as

I am sending you his picture so you will know that he deserved the subscription! We all enjoy the magazine.

Irene Dossche & Mary Butler 4159 W. Wellington Chicago 41, Illinois

CATS IN CLOVER

by N. E. Hill

Whenever our town friends come to stay I get a lecture about the farm cats.

"But don't you give them anything else?" they ask. "Is that all they get, just milk, and a few mice?"

"A few mice."

I once tried to keep a count of the mice, rats, shrews, moles, occasional sparrows and several other unidentified species, brought in by our purring verminsquad. I believe some if those cats eat more meat than I do. And what's the matter with milk, anyway?

They all get as much as they can drink—an unbelievable quantity. If only I could fix up a little bar and sell them the stuff—but maybe they wouldn't im-

bibe so freely then.

There is a move in Britain, by the Cat Protection League, to draw up a kind of "charter" for working cats, of which there are about a million who spend their lives in factories, wharehouses and down on the farm.

I don't know what goes on in stores and factories (although knowing something about cats I could make a guess), but I have been on scores of farms and have yet to see the "mangy farm cat" of the storybooks, for farm cats, like their owners, may not have the very latest in plumbing but usually manage to live well for all that.

True, they are often lean, but almost always in perfect condition, probably the hardiest members of a very tough race. Men whose livelihood depends on understanding animals know that cats hunt for pleastre first and profit afterwards and a starving cat is seldom seen "working the barns" which is what they are kept for. About the only time you are likely to see a farm cat emaciated, with a lack-



Photos by Charles L. Thompson (top) and John F. Moore



luster coat is when it is suckling a large litter—nobody knows how large because nobody can find it.

Rest assured however that as soon as they are old enough, with a little help from Mother, all the kittens will miraculously find their way to the dairy, focal point in a farm cat's life, there to disport themselves, get under everybody's feet, know the terror of being nose to nose with a cow, be accidentally broomed out into the yard with the washing-out water and—what makes it all worth while—to know the ecstasy of a dish of warm cows milk which they have been expecting every minute for the last hour and a half.

At this stage their nuisance rating is more than balanced by their entertainment value and in any case the most efficient ratcatcher in the world is a good catta with a brood of hungry kittens con-

stantly on her mind.

Farmers are the largest section of the community to keep cats on a wholesale basis. Right now we have twelve, nine of which are kittens of various ages and most of them are products of the other three.

We have no adult toms and everyone is happy, including our cats, for toms, true Victorian patriarchs, do very little except drink more than their share of the milk, and the mothers know that when ever they feel inclined to take a husband again, bush telegraph will soon bring along three or four presentable escorts

from neighboring cottages.

The most noticeable thing about cats in the mass is that they are all individuals with great differences of temperament even in the same family. Some are good-natured. Some are bad-tempered. Some are good mothers and others, I fear, are very bad mothers, being quite unable to count above two, which is a handicap when you are given to having four or five children at a time. Fortunately a community of farm cats is rather like one of those old-fashioned nineteenth century families which always had a couple of spare aunts around to help look after the children.

For years we had an old queen who was very good at this. Nobody knew her

age but she must have been about twenty years old when she died. She was called "Stumpy" because she had lost a forepaw in a trap many years before, so long ago that one could not now imagine her with four legs like any ordinary cat. Somehow she would have lost all her personality.

All cats express themselves in the way they walk. They can convey almost any emotion, anger, smug pleasure or disdain with a natural ease born from centuries of being—well, just cats, I suppose. Stumpy used her affliction to become a "character", hopping about with all the endearing villainy of Long John Silver.

She was bad-tempered with the other cats, who were scared stiff of her, but she was obviously "dear old Grandma" to all the kittens. Any of them could be thoroughly disrespectful without incurring so much as a boxed ear. She would nurse them for hours, protect them from various dangers, round them up at milking-time and could even be seen stalking about after their mothers, apparently giving a stern lecture on the responsibilities of motherhood.

And just how much time it all took I never realized until she died and I sometimes had to do it myself, for hunting is an hereditary skill in cats, some strains being much better at it than others and some of the really keen girls are so devoted to their careers that, having already taken several hours off to give birth, they really-do-not-feel-they-can-spare-any-more-time-etc. etc.

That's where Stumpy was so useful. She knew all the rich, feline vocabulary including proper terms of abuse. It gave her a power of command over the tribe

which I can never possess.

Like most adult farm cats she had her spasms of "going wild" when she would disappear for a week or more. Anyone working out in the fields might come upon her by some hedgerow waiting patiently for a rabbit to emerge or crouching, one paw raised, stalking a field mouse.

At such times farm cats usually ignore any humans present and are best left (Continued on page 25)

FEWLINES 'BOUT FELINES

CAT

A curious creature is the cat. He has tremendous suave éclat: Scorn for the stupid And unwary Who find him always very chary Of making friends; or even deigning

To notice interest they're feigning.
But leave him quite alone, and he
Will purr his deepest on your knee
And seek you out with grave great
eyes

To claim you . . . wholly . . . as his prize!

-mona gould

FELIS CATUS

Upon the fender stool you lie
Controlled affection in your eye
A cosy Sphinx
A little minx
Withdrawn, complete,
Compact and neat
Do you despise the human race
You subtle cat with velvet grace?

Evasion of our question crude? You are too clever to be rude. . . .

Or . . . is it this?
Since Oedipus
Your riddle guessed
Is silence best?
No sound from diplomatic fur
Save the deep wisdom of her purr.
—Marie Louise McPhillips

CAT IN THE WINDOW

Cat in the window, snug and warm, Watching the rain come down, Not for her the pelting storm Nor the traffic of the town But, pillowed upon the cozy shelf, A tawny sphinx she lies Keeping her cat thoughts to herself Behind her veiled, green eyes;

Content to wait for the starlit night
When through the perfumed grass,
Weaving its secret path, her slight
And shadowy form will pass
Errand-wise and primitive
As a satin paw grows bold,
For a cat must use her wits to live,
And a mouse stops cold.

She tarries by the moon-white stream Where a cat stares up at her And far below the bright fish gleam Or is it her golden fur?

A small bird twitters, the hoot owls cry, The sky is a rose-stained dome, She turns and with a small, cat sigh

Strolls elegantly home.
—Wanda A. Lyday

ULTERIOR MOTIVE

Whene'er I walk out alone at night
There are silent footfalls, two eyes bright;
And my cat, little curious thing,
Hurries ahead to fall in a ring
Down at my feet, there to be petted;
And then with its affection whetted,
Turns on a steadily buzzing whirr,
A rich and deeply contented purr;
For well it knows that I'll pick it up
And take it home to cream in a cup.

-P. R. Roes

LONESOME SIAMESE

What do you do by yourself all day Play with your ball in a half-hearted way? Sleep in the curve of the davenport Pass the time by any resort? Waiting and watching 'til past five o'clock When you hear the scrape of the key in the lock?

Now run little feet, faster and faster Greet at the door your overdue master. Waiting is over, watching is done, Now has arrived you own personal sun!

Little pink tongue, licking his hand Blue eyes bright as a circus band, Riding high on a shoulder-seat Your day has begun—your day is complete!

-Katherine D. Webb

KITTEN'S SOLILOQUY

Now that I have the run of the house, Shall I go up garret and catch a mouse? Shall I claw the suffings out of the chairs, Or scratch the varnish off of the stairs? Shall I pull the fish from the goldfish bowl,

Or tear the curtains down from the pole? Shall I stalk a bird in the pale moonlight, Or sit on the fence and yowl all night?

-Avery Giles

THE OUTCAST

She's rather common looking, Except for her eyes, Which crinkle with laughter And happy, quick surprise.

The neighbors do not like her, And treat her shamefully. When no one will admit her She comes to visit me.

She tells the world I am her friend Because I stop to chat. . . .

It seems there are so few who love A gray, stray, alley-cat!

-Ruth Blackwell

A VISITOR

My two Siamese fast asleep
There in the big chair,
And everywhere, everywhere
Little bits of hair.
It's on the carpets
And on the beds
Where they rest
Their black-eared heads.
They own THIS house
Not I, my Friend!
Do sit down . . . and
Have a cup of tea
And be a visitor,
Just like me.

-Reba Wallace

THE END OF THE SHOW

A score or more of million years ago The great-granddaddy of our present tabby-cat

Preyed on all primates; and, as dreaded foe,

Was here when man evolved along with dog and rat.

No wondor now, that age-old puss should gaze

Inscrutably on antics of the monkey's kin.

When man destroys himself through warring craze,

The cat will yawn, "Well here's where I came in".

-Katrina v.D. Brewster

SLY PUSS

Settled and warm in a sunny patch, Content with her little world, She sits with half-closed eyes aglint

And snaky tail tight-furled, Her forepaws inward curled. I wave a string beneath her nose

And gently call her name. Pendulum-slow her head she turns, Implies: "A silly game,

"And really far too tame!"

But then a sudden paw whips out; The string is neatly caught.

She's up, she's leaping round the room, Eyes glowing, whiskers taut! (Dignity gone for nought).

Before the game has reached its height, She "changes the subject", stops,

Arches her neck and licks her back.

The string, cold-shouldered, drops,
While Madam preens her chops.

"What, play with string? Who? Me? (she stares),

"Never in all this world."

And there she sits in her former pose,
With snaky tail tight-furled
And forepaws inward curled.

-Mrs. G. R. Stainthorpe

CATS IN FOUR NEW COVERS

THE FUR PERSON, by May Sarton. Illustrated by Barbara Knox. Rinehart & Company, Inc., New York. 106 pages, 82.75.

To one who likes cats, lives with them, and befriends them, but who understands them only in a mystic, wordless sort of way—it is a rare experience to spend an interval with someone who has entered into a cat's heart and has put into language what was found there.

This is what May Sarton has done in her short novel of the metamorphosis of the Cat About Town into *The Fur Per-*

We learn with our Hero the Ten Commandments of the Gentlemen Cat: I. When addressed, do not move a muscle. Look as if you hadn't heard; V. Never hurry toward an objective, never look as if you had only one thing in mind, it is not polite. We move with him from babyhood into garbage cans, through grocerystores, under hedges, and finally into the most charming home any cat could want. And all along the way we learn much about the things that make only certain cats, and certain human beings, *Persons.*—O. I.



Photo by De Churchill from ON ALL FOURS.

ON ALL FOURS, by De Churchill. Vantage Press, New York. 60 pages, numerous photographs, \$2.00.

Here is the snapshot album of an almost typical owner and lover of two cats—tied together with narration by one of the subjects. It is disappointing that many of the interesting photographs are not sharp enough to let us see the full beauty of the subjects.—B. D.

THE CAT'S MEDICAL DICTION-ARY, by Hamilton Kirk, M.R.C.V.S., Routledge & Kegan Paul Ltd, London. 221 pages, 25 shillings.

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Being an English book, practices indicated are occasionally somewhat different from those followed in America. Major Kirk, for example, recommends the neutering of males at four months—considerably earlier than many American veterinarians now consider advisable. His statement that the cat appears to have immunity against rabies, cancer, and snake venom is puzzling.—R. G.

MR. TIPPS, the Story of a Cat, by Vivien Robinette, 2021 Primrose Ave., South Pasadena, Calif. 60 pages, \$2.00.

Mr. Tipps is a book in form, but it is really an intimate letter to that understanding free masonry of Cat Lovers. Understanding, appreciating and living with and for Tippey in a mutually satisfying lengthening of the years, Vivien Robinette not only knew this cat but has the skill to write to all felinophiles her letter telling the intimate day-by-day heartbeats with all the dear savor that means cat and human family life.

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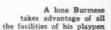
Youngsters and mothers look forward to the time when they can join the gang outside.



Cautious Siamese makes his way into tunnel; changes his mind; looks back and then-



comes out onto the ledge where he will soon be basking with the other sunbathers.





THE MOST HAPPY FELLAS OF CATTERY ROW

by Helen Ellsberg

At the Beaver Cattery I looked down the row of wire-covered pens. In the first two, glossy-coated Burmese and Abyssinians dozed in the sun, relaxed as velvet rags.

Two young Siamese erupted from a small door in the back of the third pen and engaged in a mad chase involving long leaps from one platform to the other, a dash across the grassy floor, a wild scramble up the tree stump, and a fierce tussle back on platform number one—the sort of feline horse-play so dear to the hearts of all cats (Siamese in particular), but which must remain forever a Utopian dream to most cattery dwellers.

"What happy, healthy-looking creatures," I thought. "No wonder they win all those ribbons and trophies."

Ernestine Beaver's cats are well-known throughout the West for their impressive show records, but few who have seen them realize what careful attention has given to provide them with a pleasant home life.

The cage-playpen combination shown on these pages is the most important factor. The cages themselves are plain and inexpensively built. What distinguishes them is a 9×10 inch hole in the back wall. This is the opening for a tunnel which connects the cages to the playpens.

When a cat walks through the tunnel, he comes out upon a platform in a wire-covered enclosure containing everything most needed to make a cat's life enjoyable. The floors of the pens are sown to grass, with one corner a square of bare, soft earth for a comfort station. Tall tree stumps serve as claw sharpeners, a place to satisfy that urge to climb, and a high vantage point on which to sit and see what's going on in the world, or to watch for Mrs. Beaver approaching with the food pan, come supper time.

Most of the pens have at least three of the wooden shelves, or platforms, at different levels. These serve several purposes. If there are two or three cats in a cage, it gives each one a place to lie in

the sun. It gives the cats exercise leaping from one to the other, and on rainy days, they can get outside for exercise without getting down in the wet grass.

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The tree stumps have been acquired from large branches of trees which have been cut down or trimmed.

Pens of this type can be as plain or as elaborate as anyone wishes to make them. Actually, they could be constructed largely from scrap lumber, as so many short pieces are needed for the tunnels and platforms.

Mrs. Beaver's cattery is in Downey, California, a suburb of Los Angeles. In this climate she prefers the lathe roofs for the pens. In sections of the country where there is more rain or snow, a solid roof would probably be more satisfactory.

But however the pen is built, if it gives a cattery cat a place to sun himself, to chew a blade of grass now and then, to dig tidily in a bit of soft earth, to sharpen his claws and indulge in some vigorous exercise, he will be a healthier, happier cat

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INTO THIS??? HOW DID I GET

Which lucky one among us hasn't at one time or another found himself in a position or predicament that causes a mixture of frustration, concern, bewilderment, embarrassment and chagrin? This silly little Siamese kitten belonging to La Moine R. Fantozzi, 17622 Delano Street, Encino, California, certainly seems to be spelling out all these by his expression.

Someone has made a terrible mistake. It's pussy-willows that belong in vases,

not real live cats!

Checking back through the Picture of the Month winners, it seems the masculine gender has been walking away with the prizes. Four of the last five winners have been gentlemen-and all of them, gentlemen from the West. We are not complaining-just mentioning, and suggesting that the ladies, 'specially from the East, arise and start shooting. That is, if they want to find in their mail boxes the kind of \$25.00 U. S. Bond Mr. Fantozzi is finding in his!

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CATS' BILL OF RIGHTS YEAR

by Guy Bogart

Another annihilation-if-possible legislative ordeal for cats from coast to coast is faced for 1957. You responded well to the threat in the State Legislatures two years ago; this year there will be greater demands, demands we can not fail to meet in the Cats Crusade.

Gertrude Charny, who has for more than a decade spent all (and I do mean ALL) of her time and energies in battling for the destruction of cats by legislative or other methods, has already opened the fight in Massachusetts and elsewhere.

After humiliating defeats in Illinois, she moved to Santa Barbara, California, but she operates wherever she senses a weakness in the cat front. She has sent her appeals for funds to the public, and has been able to raise enough to offer a \$1000 award to anyone who can put over a "marauding cat" bill in any state legislature. In private letters to "Friends of the Birds" folks she has advocated secretly placing cat traps near the homes of neighbors to trap their pets and viciously kill them.

It is not too difficult for her to raise funds in flush America. Most of the population ranges from indifference to cats to active hatred of them—and many cat lovers have not bothered to expose, even to themselves, the twin fallacies that the cat is an important enemy of birds, and that birds themselves are of supreme benefit to agriculture. As proved many times, neither of these beliefs holds up under impartial examination.

It is even quite common for uninformed cat lovers to commit the greatest error possible—to apologize for cats! To make excuses for a lot of imagined faults cats have never possessed.

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d i7 It was in response to the serious threat of two years ago that for the first time, to my knowledge, readers of CATS Magazine responded adequately enough to permit us to succeed from coast to coast in defeating the many Charny bills in the various state legislatures.

For 1957 we will need more help of every kind. A strong development in our favor is that the Fancy—both individual fanciers and clubs—has been among the most ardent financial supporters in defeating adverse cat legislation. The truth is everywhere realized that what hampers and hamstrings the "Happenstance" cats is quickly reflected in the Fancy. As an individual instance: Gertrude Charny would herself (and she asks other to do the same) secretly trap and destroy a purebred cat just as quickly as a Happenstance Furbaby. (At least, I have a letter signed by her to that effect.)

Yes, we are going to need an abundance of money for the 1957 campaign, but every cent will be handled to get the most for cats in all the ways open to us, and needless to say, none of us in Federated Group

which is handling the fight will receive any pay for our services.

The Federated Group, Inc., was founded by Alice-in-Catland Clark for just such purposes as this. All funds should be sent to Mrs. Alice M. Clark, foundersecretary-treasurer, 98 Lakewood Avenue, San Francisco 27, Cailfornia, and all will be used in your behalf wherever the anticat forces threaten our pets.

We have just the right pro-cat data available, and with your help it will be printed in convenient handbooks to be placed in the hands of workers as *The Cats' Bill of Rights*. This will be most effective in putting the correct information on cats where it is most needed now.

Cooperation in gathering information is also needed in every state in the nation. In addition to money contributions, all cat lovers can help by sending to me at Beaumont, California, clippings and other information on any likely legislative moves or any matters concerning the welfare of cats.

I hope to see the time when Animal Birth Control (sometimes called Prevention of Surplus Animals) will minimize most of the serious problems of cats and dogs. For the present, however, only a constant alert can keep any degree of safety. Twice within a little over a year cats have been soaked in alcohol and gasoline and burned. In neither case was there any punishment, and the judges both gave suspended sentences.

Let's be candid—the cat is more tolerated than formerly but she still has few friends among the general public who care enough to do anything. It is up to you and me and the readers of CATS Magazine and their friends. If each club will contribute and all individuals give a mite, we can continue the success of the past ten years in the state legislatures.



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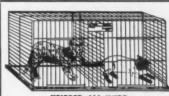
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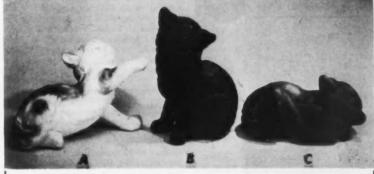
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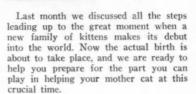




THE BLESSED EVENT

PART II

"Tips to the Novice" by Blanche Wolfram



THE BIRTHS

When the long-awaited moment comes, the mother will begin to bear down in earnest and the first kitten will be born. You must immediately look to see that the mother clears away the sac enclosing the head of the kitten. If she does not know how to perform this duty as yet, take a piece of cloth and you will find you can easily wipe the sac away. This is extremely important, for if it is not done, the kitten will surely suffocate.

Next, see to it that the mother severs the kitten's naval cord from the afterbirth. If she doesn't, use a pair of sterilized scissors to do the job, cutting the cord approximately one and a half inches from the stomach of the kitten. When you do this, you will notice blood gush out from the opening. Take your fingers and pinch the end of the cord, holding it for a moment or two so that it will stick together. If you think it necessary, you may also take a piece of sterilized string and tie the cord near the end to prevent it from coming open. As a precaution, paint the end of the cord with Isodine to prevent any possible infection.

Now, taken the newly born kitten away from the mother, and with the aid of a sterile, lint-free cloth quickly dry it off. While you are doing this, do not be afraid to rub a little briskly, for that will help to start the breathing, and aid the kitten in coming to "life" in good order. The first tinkling cry will be heard, and you are then sure that the little tyke is here to stav.

To keep the kittens warm until they are dry, you will need a separate cardboard box, partially covered, containing either a heating pad or a cloth-covered hot water bottle. There they will be out of harm's way, and even though they may cry a little, it is not an indication that anything is wrong. Usually, they will just lie there resting and keeping quiet.

While you are thus taking care of each kitten, the afterbirth will come, and the mother will attempt to devour it. I think this is an unnecessary chore for her, and one which you can eliminate. Take it away from her-she will never miss it,

and will then begin to tidy-up herself. Occasionally the afterbirth will be expelled directly after the kitten, and you will find that this will make your job much easier.

Sometimes after a kitten is born, it will still be too close to the mother for you to safely cut the cord. In this case, you must still immediately remove the sac, but wait quietly, and do not touch the cord until the mother has released the afterbirth. Do not allow her to become panicky, but soothe her with gentle words and pet her. Try to support the kitten with your hand to prevent rupture of the navel cord. The two of you can help each other all the way through,

If all goes well, there will generally be from ten to thirty minutes between births. Of course, this will vary, and I have had some cats give birth to one kitten immediately after another, while others have taken as long as six hours between each birth. Even once, to my astonishment, I had a boy born one day, and its brother the next. Anything can happen, so you must not apply a set rule as to the timing

I think it best to withhold the newly born kittens from the mother until I am sure she has finished and has had time to clean up. However, if an interval gives promise of being a lengthy one, I allow her to have the kittens temporarily, taking them away at the first sign of another birth, for they could easily be trampled or crushed in the mother's anxiety to bring forth the next arrival. After the births, the new mama will be quite thirsty, so give her some fresh cool water. She will probably be hungry, too, and you may feed her all she wants.

Thus far, we have been concerned with normal births. However, some will occur which will cause unwarranted trouble. For this you must be prepared. Usually, a kitten is born head first. A breech birththat is to say, with hindquarters firstis more difficult for the mother to deliver. It can be very painful, and your cat will cry out loudly and want to run around in circles. You can best help by keeping her as quiet as possible, and by caressing her and talking to her-all the time holding the half-emerged kitten in your other hand. Watch her closely and when she begins to bear down, try to very, very gently remove the kitten. Under no circumstances are you to pull strongly or jerk the kitten, for that can lead to extremely serious trouble. You see, the pelvic muscles have a pushing action; should you try pulling you reverse the procedure, causing the muscles to contract and the opening to get smaller. If your first gentle assist does not help, just wait until the next time the mother cat makes another effort to bring the kitten through. It is very seldom that the services of the veterinarian are required for this condition, and while it all may sound very complicated, I would still class it under the heading of a normal birth and feel it is nothing to really get excited about.

Once in a while a cat is so strong that when she bears down the kitten will be so forcibly ejected that a rupture of the navel results because the umbilical cord was stretched beyond its limits. If this happens, the internal organs of the kitten will come through the rupture. It is next to impossible to save a kitten in this condition, and it is best to help it out of its misery by putting it to sleep with chloroform. The correct way to do this is to pour some chloroform on cotton. Place this in a small box with the kitten and do not cover the box. In that way, the kitten will inhale the fumes and very mercifully go to sleep, never to awaken. Do not cover the box for then the kitten will die of suffocation, a terrible death.

Should one of the newly born kittens fail to respond to life, take it and rough it up a bit. Blow into its mouth and use artificial respiration by gently squeezing and relaxing its chest. Occasionally, that certain something that starts life is delayed, and it is up to you to help get it going. As you will have noticed, the birth of kittens closely follows that of humans, and many of the same troubles and treatments apply.

One of the more difficult births is that of a kitten already dead within the uterus. It is very hard for the mother to expel such a kitten, for she has no help such as that given by live kits who will usually wriggle around and so assist in the journey to the outer world. Much more time and effort will be involved in this birth. However, generally speaking, dead kittens will be expelled. But if you feel it is hopeless, consult with your vet.

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In fact, it is wise to always keep in touch with your local veterinarian and let him know when you are expecting the arrivals. If you notice at any time that all is not well, take the expectant mother to him, and he will advise you as to the proper procedure. Perhaps the kittens are too large to pass through the pelvis of the mother, or they may be caught in the horns in their attempt to pass through the uterus. One of the sacs may be permanently attached to the wall of the horn, and there may be other reasons which only the doctor can identify that would prevent a normal delivery. In such cases as the above, he will probably advise a Cesarean section. If he does, arrange to be there during the operation, for it is quite a job and you may be needed to care for the kits while he continues with the task of fixing up the mother. When the operation is completed, it will usually be best to take the mother and the kittens home with you, for in most cases you will have more time than the doctor to take care of the patient.

After an operation of this kind you must take it upon yourself to feed the kittens. This must be done in all cases for at least a twenty-four hour period, be-

cause the mother will still be under the effects of the anesthetic. Even after that, she may not be able to produce milk for the kits, leaving you to take care of them from then on. One of the best means of accomplishing this is to employ a wet nurse, that is, another cat who is nursing kittens. She will in all probability take yours without any difficulty. However, it is wise to be sure, and one way to do this is to rub the kittens against the new mother and let some of her milk run over the kittens. She will begin to wash them and will believe they are hers and were only misplaced. In the event a nursing cat is not available you can easily supply them with nourishment with the use of either of the following formulas. One tablespoon of Olac to one and one half tablespoons of water. Or, one tablespoon of Carnation milk to one tablespoon of water. The water should be thoroughly boiled in either case. Feed this, warmed, by means of a dropper (the plastic variety) every two hours. It is also necessary to take a piece of cotton and gently rub the rear organs of each kitten to make them function. Do this faithfully at the time of each feeding. You have probably noticed how a mother cat seems to clean the rear ends of the kittens more than any other part. This is done on purpose, for young kittens cannot eliminate the waste matter for themselves and the mother cat, or you, must see to it that this chore is done.

Even when kittens are being born, if there is a long time between births, they may cry constantly and since the mother does not have her milk as yet, you can resort to feeding them with the above formula and also taking care of the waste. This will quiet them and also relieve the mother cat of any anxiety.

THE LIGHTER SIDE

Having kittens is not always as serious a problem as it seems to be, for there will be many times when some very amusing incidents will arise to cause a chuckle or two. I find this especially so when about a week before the arrivals the mother cat will follow me wherever I go, never leaving me out of her sight. She will be constantly by my side and I must be very careful not to injure her in any way. I then get my maternity cage and place it in such a way that she can observe me at most times or know that I am quite near even though she cannot see The mothers-to-be do this because they know I am going to help them and want to be sure that I know the time is very near at hand.

A mother-to-be for the first time will surely be bewildered and will need all your help and confidence. I recall sitting beside one of mine waiting to begin production who, every time she gave an itzybitzy push, would look around to see if anything had happened. I would pat her on the head and say—"Come on darlin', you'll have to push a little harder than

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THE CATS I LEFT BEHIND ME

by Agnes S. Crume

Part II

With two cats behind me, it was inevitable that Toby should appear soon after our arrival in Costa Rica. A skinny black kitten with white blazes and yellow banjo-eyes that gave him a permanently startled look, Toby was a natural buffoon. His madness took hilarious forms.

For the first six months of his life, he seldom walked. Instead, he skipped sideways, in a gait that nearly defies description and plunged onlookers into convulsions. On the rare occasions when he settled down, he went through an elaborate preliminary of patting down the surface—lap, sofa, or unyielding carpet—into what he imagined was a soft valley.

At three months he was neutered by the local veterinarian, a young Englishwoman who advised that a cat of his "nervous disposition" might otherwise run amok. Far from assuming the expected mildness of the eunuch, Toby became stranger still. He swung from curtains, ran exhausting circles around bewildered grasshoppers, and ripped an aperture in the back of the sofa-bed. This became his hiding place, and during every thunderstorm-and they were frequent in Central America-he nestled happily among the coiled springs. Perhaps he was a Hindu fakir in some previous incarnation!

Toby's chief claim to fame in the neighborhood was his use of the bidet. This extravagant bathing fixture, virtually unknown in North America, is regarded as essential on the Continent and in Latin American countries that continue to emulate "European culture". And so we had a bidet, gleaming and neglected among more basic furniture in our bathroom.

Toby's discovery came about one day when we had forgotten to put him outdoors before leaving for a reception. Since doors are always open in balmy Costa Rica, Toby had never owned a sand-box, and his predica-

ment was unprecedented.

Toby had initiative if nothing else. After two hours' absence, I came home to witness through the open bathroom door the unforgettable sight of Toby seated discreetly in the exact center of the bidet. Lacking sand or soil to scatter over his leavings, he mewed wisely for a human hand to do the tidying.

Toby and his bidet became a ritual, and more than one diplomatic guest of rank followed Toby on tiptoe to the bathroom for a glimpse of his notorious habit. They came back roaring.

I soppose all would have been tranquil in the household if I had only said no when some British friends asked us to keep their cat for three months. They were bound for home leave in England, and they felt we would treat Perkins well.

Perkins was by far the most beautiful of "our" cats. She had a thick black coat, white breast and socks, and she kept herself spotless. By any standards, she was enormous; she made two of lanky Toby, who, however, was not intimidated. She too had been spayed, but a certain feminine stateliness never deserted her.

Surprisingly, the two of them hit it off; Perkins' real problem was home-sickness. In the first two weeks, I retrieved her twice from her masters' house. It was locked tight, but she managed to crawl through a kitchen ventilator, and I found her, each time, comfortably ensconced in her favorite chair. The realtor, who lived blocks away, was understandably annoyed at having to come down with a master key.

A month after she came to camp with us, Perkins disappeared. We scoured the neighborhood, tipping a dozen children to aid in the search. We advertised in newspapers and on two radio stations, offering liberal rewards. Toby yowled around the house disconsolately, knocking down more vases than usual, and I was as frantic





as if a friend's child had been kidnapped from my charge.

I wrote apologetically to her mistress in England; it seemed a lost cause, and I had done all I could. Fortunately, she had a new baby, and Perkins had become a secondary concern. But I continued to grieve and search.

On the evening of the 29th day, the cook reported breathlessly that she had seen Perkins—or her ghost—on the garden wall. The whole neighborhood turned out with flashlights and dinner scraps—this was by now a cause celebre—and we finally, incredibly, cornered Perkins in a shed piled high with lumber.

The higher I climbed, the farther Perkins retreated, although she responded feebly to her name. She was so obscured by a mountain of planks that I was not even sure of her identity. Fish did the trick. Inch by suspicious inch, Perkins emerged. I remember only grabbing one leg and a tail and popping the whole business into the Hongkong basket, fish and all.

Where on earth had she been for a month? She was slightly thinner but not starved, and it was evident that she had not been subsisting in alleys and sheds. We could only conjecture that some poor but kindly Costa Rican—of which there are thousands—had found her and kept her indoors in the interim, handsome pet that she was. Had she been free before, she would certainly have returned either to us or to her old home.

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Perkins never enlightened us. She settled down peacefully, made no further attempts to escape, and resumed her companionship with Toby. They took to sharing the shelf in the linen closet that harbored my best sheets, but I was too relieved to protest. When I moved the sheets to a higher shelf, Toby and Perkins moved too. Silly humans, they reflected.

Both have remained in Costa Rica—Perkins reclaimed by her mistress and Toby in the house adjoining ours. His new owner writes that he uses her bidet too, and sleeps inside a paper sack, which she replaces at intervals. He always was unorthodox.

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that". Of course, the labor pains soon became more severe and the kittens did appear.

Sometimes new mothers will look at their family without any idea on what to do next. After it is all over and you return the three or four babies to them they will look up at you so pitifully as if asking you to show them what to do with these strange, squirming, little things. I gently lay the mother down on her side and place the kittens to the nipples. Usually, from then on things work out quiet well. Incidentally, you should clear away the fur from the nipples beforehand so that the babies won't have any trouble finding them.

Another of my cats will present me with each kitten and look at me as if to say—"Well, here they are, it is you who wanted them, now take care of them". She will go about cleaning herself and will have nothing to do with the "bundles from heaven" until she is spotless. Only then, will she condescend to take them

Other cats may have a little trouble learning how to snuggle around all the babies at one time. There are times when one of the babies will get behind them and kick up an awful fuss. You will have to hurry up and get them all straightened around again. Sometimes while you are doing this the mother cat will think you are coming to pet her and will rise to her feet. The hubbub and clamor raised then is really something.

You really need not have any fear about being a Midwife, for I am sure that with the help given here you will be able to handle the situation very capably. One last bit of advice—do not let the mother cat see you are nervous. Keep calm and do not show any outward signs of excitement for she will surely notice this and become frightened herself.

CONCLUSION

Am I glad when it's all over? I certainly am. The tension that is built up as time goes on can be terrific. Not only that of helping trying to ward off any serious complication, but the waiting to see what you are given is really an experience. However, it is always nice to know you have helped and that the job was well done. Yes, when the mother and babies settle down to normal she will look up at you as if to say—"Thanks mommy, all is well now and you can go to sleep." Only then, can you use that worn out but very welcome hospital phrase—"MOTHER AND BABIES, ALL DOING FINE."

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TOO MANY SHOWS

by Genevieve M. Gibson

As discussed before, the shows this fall in the Eastern area were too close. Just take a look at show dates: September 29th—West Chester one-day show. October 6-7th-Wilmington, Del., a two-day show (well you did have a week to get your breath) "O.K., but how about your budget?" Remember it is early yet. October 12th—New York one-day show; October 13th—Penna. one-day show. Some one asks, "why bother to take them all in? Some Well the answer is simply this: They are all our friends and many of us in this area belong to all of these clubs. It is only natural to try and support the shows and if we have WINS in the association or have hopes of winning

in the association or have hopes of winning we enter all these shows."

I attended the N. Y. show Oct. 12th as an exhibitor, I arrived home at 5 A.M., and I know full well if I had an entry in the Penna. show for October 13th, it would have been show for October 13th, it would have been absent. Most of the exhibitors at N. Y. were entered in Penna. the next day. Why not? If you made wins in N. Y., you had a chance to finish a Championship in Penna.!

The exhibitors entered in both these one-day.

shows left their homes anywhere from mid-night to 4:00 or 5:00 A.M. Thursday to reach the show on time. They had an extremely full day and would have welcomed going home and going to bed, but no, that is not the program. I left the N. Y. Hall around 12:30 midnight Friday and there were still some exhibitors there. Now all these exhibitors had to drive all night to reach the Penna. Show. Just remember

this is now Friday night and they have already this is now Friday night and they have already driven most of Thursday night. Those who arrived at some wee small hour slept in the car till they could get in the Penna. hall; some made it home and got fresh clothes and fresh cats; others arrived in time for the show with possibly three or four hours sleep at some Motel on the way.

I attended the Penna, show in the evening as a spectator. It was a lovely show and I as a spectator. It was a lovely show and a understand a financial success and a four-point show. I talked to quite a few of the exhibitors who had been at New York the day before, who had been at New York the day before, and they all agreed that it was too much of a strain to do the both shows. As one party put it, "I am just numb, and I have to keep moving or I will fall asleep just standing still." No one can possibly get the enjoyment out of a show that we so eagerly plan for under these circumstances.

The Philadelphia Show on Oct. 26-27th was no hardship as everyone had two weeks to pull themselves together. This also was a four-point

There should be at least two weeks between shows-better still, three or four weeks. It's rough on the exhibitors' budgets, but it's rough on the exhibitors' budgets, but it's rougher on the cats cooped up in carriers hour on hour and penned in cages where they have only enough room to take a half a stretch at a time. Their normal functions are interfered with and I have known cats that have started out on a two-day show and have waited till they got home to relieve themselves.

Now who is to blame? Not the Secretary of the Association granting the Sanction for

of the Association granting the Sanction for a specific date, all she has to do is to keep her association show dates from conflicting.

These are just "maybe's"

Too many Associations
Too many Clubs Too many Shows

Maybe one association is the answer, assigning a show date for each area-one a month. These are only maybe's, anyone got answers?

Frankly, the fault is in each club itself. There should be more courtesy and consideration shown members of another club in one's area, whether it is your club's "beloved association" or not. Show season has followed a routine pattern for years, you could mark your calendar—Oct., Nov., Dec. and so on into the spring months, but no more. Now everyone is jumping the gun to get away from the bad weather after the first of the year, and if the gun goes off and shoots some one in the back, So What? Cut-Throat Show Business is all you can

call it, and if it still persists I think that some clubs will find that instead of bettering them-

Think it over, Clubs. We all want to put on good shows, have fun and enjoy them, to on good shows, have tun and enjoy them, to be fair to our cats, and to show some semblance of courtesy and consideration for our fellow clubs. Pick yourself a permanent show date, and remember—"nor rain, nor snow" has ever stopped a cat fancier, either!

Thank you Mrs. Filkins for your expressions regarding this topic in the November issue of CATS, I am grateful for at least one sup-

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Cats Question Box

Conducted By E. A. Renaux, D.V.M.

My Persian cat just had her first litter of kittens. When they were two weeks old, I had to take them away from her. Her milk glands swelled beyond normal and she had no milk. With her next litter, should I expect the same condition? Is there any remedy for this?

-Gladys Louise Crank

Rt. 1, Box 375, Beaufort, N. C.

With only two kittens nursing they may not have been able to take all of the milk she was producing. The resultant pressure of the milk in the breasts would create swelling and also tend to stop the flow of milk. If the same condition of just two kittens nursing should happen again, it might help to relieve the mother of some of the excess milk by squeezing it from her breasts to prevent too great accumulation in the glands.

I have a big healthy tom, five years old, who periodically gets a lower lip swelling that makes me as unhappy as I know it must make him. Tim's diet is fresh veal, plus a daily feeding of canned food along with his half-milk, half-cream liquid quota. Do you have any idea what may cause his lip to swell?

-Anne M. Anderson

270 Mt. Vernon Pl., Newark 6, N. J.

This swelling of the point of the lower lip is apparently caused by some irritation to the part and there is resulting edema. I know of no medication to aid this condition. Time will allow the tissues to heal. It may help to have Timothy's teeth checked.

My cat has a stubborn skin condition—tiny scablike lesions which spread from the head and neck area to entire body, causing the cat to scratch and lick constantly. I should like to try Malucidin, discussed by Leon F. Whitney D. V. M., in the September CATS Magazine but my local veterinarian cannot obtain it.

-Mrs. C. W. Modie

Rock 'N Pine Ranch, Ole Elum, Wash.

The use of a lime-sulfur dip may be helpful in checking this trouble. The Distributor of Malucidin is National Canine Products, Inc., 1133 McDonald Avenue, Brooklyn 30, N. Y.

Our four kittens, now two months olds, have begun to lose weight and do not eat very well. Any information regarding a cure, safe and non-toxic, will be greatly appreciated, as I have found long worms in their stool.

-Mrs. M. S. Roland

Jasper, Tennessee

The only worm medications that I can speak for are the ones that I use in my practice. Two of them that I use for cats are Vermiplex and Nemural. I have found these to be effective drugs and when properly used to be safe. I am not familiar with the commercial preparations except with the results that sometimes are presented on my examination table.

My Siamese male, two years old, is giving me considerable trouble. He goes to his sanitary pan but does not do anything. Our veterinarian thinks it s gall stones and is treating him for this. At present I am feeding him a prescription diet but he won't eat it. Can you suggest anything?

-Reva S. Morgan

922 West Euclid Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

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Show Reports

MO-KAN CAT CLUB (CFA) Kansas City, Missouri. Dec. 8–9, 1956. ALL BREED—Judge, Mrs. Walker K. Johnston. Best Cat, Best Nov, Best LH, Best SC—Lynwood Flambeau, Blue m, Mrs. F. L. Lindsey. 2nd Best Cat, Best Ch. Best SII—Shy's Castle Jeffrey, Chin m, Mrs. Willard Shy. 08 Cat, Best Open. Best SH, Best FSH, Best Burnes—HRH Marin Java of Traana, f, Dr. & Mrs. Duval B. Jaros. 08 to 2nd Best, 08 Ch. Best Sla—Medicine Lake Singora Ti-Kay, SP f, Barbara Lytle. Best Gr. Ch.—Shy's Castle His Royal Shyness, Chin m, Mrs. Willard Shy, 08 Nov—Lynwood Rosita of Eventide, Blue f, Mrs. John H. McKee. 08 Open—Meru Blue Feather, BP m, Mrs. J. H. Dingwerth. 08 LH, 08 SC—Les Cygnes Dix-Belle, 02 EW f, Mrs. Paul Swan, 08 Sil—Ch. Shy's Castle Joni, Chin f, Mrs. Willard Shy. Best T&T—Ch. Heather Hebe of Bloembill, Bl. Cr. Mrs. John Bloem. 08 T&T—Mo-Red. Red Tby m, Billie Miller. 08 SH, 08 FSH, Best Aby—Livingston's Red Bobin, m, Ruth Coe Livingston os Sla—Gr. Ch Krampert's Aee of Marhan, BP m, Mr. Mrs. Mrs. Deshow. 08 Sil—Ch. Silver Girl of My-Lo, Sil Tby f, Mrs. Frank Lockrey, Sr. 08 DSH—Ch Stargryf of My-Lo, Sil Tby m, Mrs. Lockrey. Best Manx—Dhu Llee's Carrick of Pa-Lo, Brn Tby m, Mrs. R. W. Boehlow, 08 Manx—Ba-Le's Annette, Torty. Mrs. Boehlow. 08 Adv—Livingston, m, Mrs. Livingston. Best Kit.—Bloembill Largo. Bl Cr. Mrs. Boehlow. 08 Adv—Livingston, m, Mrs. Livingston. Best Kit.—Bloembill Largo. Bl Cr. Mrs. John Bloem. 08 Kit.—Lynwood Moonbeam, Blue m, Mrs. F. L. Lindsey, 2nd Best Cat, Best Nov, Best SC—Lynwood Flambeau, Blue m, Mrs. F. L. Lindsey. 2nd Best Cat, Best Gr. Ch. Best Sil—Shy's Castle His Royal Shyems, Chin m, Mrs. Willard Shy. Best Ch.—Silver Moth MacBeth of Blu-Arre, Blue m, Mrs. P. L. Lindsey. 2nd Best Cat, Best Gr. Ch. Best Sil—Shy's Castle His Royal Shyems, Chin m, Mrs. Willard Shy. Best Ch.—Biller Miller. Best Kit.—Lynwood Moonbeam, Blue m, Mrs. F. L. Lindsey. Os Cat, 08 Ch, 08 Sil—Shy's Castle His Royal Shyems, Chin m, Mrs. Willard Shy. Best Ch.—Biller Miller. Best Kit.—Lynwood Moonbeam. Blue m, Mrs. F. L. Lindsey.

If WEL CITY CAT CLUB (CFF) 3rd Ch Show, Glendale, California, Rev. 10-11, 1956. ALI BREED—Judge, Charles Victor. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best LH, Best SII—Silver Mesa Miss Pixyanne, sh Sil f, Mrs. Harold E. Webb. 08 Cat, 08 Ch, 08 LH, Best SC—Stilland Queed of Azulita, Blue m. Mrs. Walker Johnston. (2nd best Cat not given.) 2nd Best Female, Best SH, Best SIa—Elo-Yse's HI-Volt-Age, SP f, Frank & Eloise Magnan. 2nd Best Male, 08 SH, Best DSH.—Ch Smith's Tab-Boo, Brn Tby m, Dr. Fern Smith. Best Nov—Pitti Pat's Forever Amber, CP f, Mrs. Lawrence Bristol. 08 Nov—Gray ity Aladdin, Chin m, Mrs. Grace Over. Best Open—Gallahad's Executive of Bre-Etta, 0dd E Wh m, Mary Ann Maxwell. 08 Open, 08 SC—Azulita Pavlova, Blue f, Mrs. Walker Johnston. 08 SII—Silver Mesa Sir Valiant, Chin m, Mrs. Harold E. Webb. Best 7&T—Azure's Ahriman, Brn Tby m, Mrs. Wm. J. Woods. 08 T&T—Azure's Ahriman, Brn Tby f, Mrs. Woods. 08 FSH, 08 Sia—Fan-T-Ce's Tee-Cee, SP m, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Galvin. 08 DSH—Casa Blanca's Angel, BE Wh f, Mrs. C. J. Straight, 08 Manx—Mao Michael O'Man, Blk m, Mrs. Straight, Best Aby—Ch Beaver's Zephyr, f, Mrs. H. T. Beaver. 08 Aby—Beaver's Zanzabar, m. Mrs. Beaver. Beaver's Caphyr, f, Mrs. H. T. Beaver. 08 Aby—Beaver's Zanzabar, m. Mrs. Beaver. Beaver's Caphyr, f, Mrs. H. T. Beaver. 08 Aby—Beaver's Zanzabar, m. Mrs. Beaver. Best Burmese—Casa Gatos Moyee de Beaver, m. Mrs. Beaver. 08 Burmese—Earmel Kandy of Dels, f, Delphine Bloomquist, Best RB—El Rosarlo's Sorria de Casa Gatos, f, Mrs. H. T. Beaver (08 RB—Hoeller's Latarsk, m, Kathleen & Paul Heeller. Best Kit.—Azulita Powhatan, Blue m, Mrs. Walker Johnston. 08 Kit.—Plitt Pat's Star Dust, Lilac P f, Mrs. Lavrence Bristol. Best Neuter—West Timese. Blk Manx, Mrs. Harry Marker. Best Spay—Princess Belta, Sli, Dr. & Mrs. P. N. Ramsdale. LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Brs. Louise Frice. Best Cat, Best Upen. Best Sci.—Kerry Lu Paiz Lee, Tortie, Dr. Fern Smith. Best Novel—Lynwood Tommy Tucker. Blue m, Mrs. Harold E. Webb. 08 SC—Gallahad's White Innocence, BE Wh f, Mary Ann Maxwell. 08 T&T—A

Joanne Burnell.

MORTH SHORE CAT CLUB (CFA). 11th Ch Show, Chicago, Illinois. Nov. 10-11, 1956. ALL BREED—Judge, Mrs. L. Darrell Sample. Best Cat. Best Ch. Best LH. Best EC—Gaymoor Merry Dee of Pets Beautiful, Blue f, Helen Macklewicz. 2nd Best Cat. Best T&T—Ch Madeira Cashmere, Bl Cr. Mrs. A. I. Madeira. G8 Cat, Best Nov. OS LH, G8 SC—Normont Jubilec II of West Allis. Blue m, Mrs. Lester O'Nell. G8 Ch—Longhill's Michael. Cr m, Mrs. Gilbert Rose. G8 Nov.—Longhill's Misty Moon, Bl Cr, Mary Louise Fix. Best Sil—Ch Sheromar's Ectasy, Sh Sil f. Margaret Bergamini. G8 Sil—Gr Ch Shy c Castle His Royal Shyuess, Chin m, Mrs. Willard Shy.

OS T&T—Ch Eastmoor Bobby Shaftoe, Red Thy m, Mrs. V. E. Peterson. Best SH, Best SFH, Best SIA.—Gr Ch Dalai Jakki, SP m, Virginia Daly, OS SH, OS FSH, Rest Manux—Ba-Lo's Anuette, Tortie, Mrs. R. W. Boehlow, OS Sia.—Ch Sanduriy, BHI Kitti, BP f, Mrs. Wesley Novak. Best DSH.—Ch Lavender Silver Belle, Sil Tby f, Laverne P. Chapman, OS DSH.—Blax Red Velvet, Red Tby m, Mrs. Veronica Blackstone, OS Maux—Ch Gleen Gry's Orry, Red Tby m, Misses Buth & Ellen Carlson. Best Aby—Ch Selene's Vignette of Villouise, m, Mary Louise Fix, OS Aby—Ta-Lee-Ho's Autumn of Wahil, f, Edna Helm. Best RB—Casa Gatos Inga, f, Allee M. Frisch. Best Klt—Bloe Acre Fancee, Blue f, Mrs. Wanda Scott. OS Kit.—Bloembill Shurlock, Blue m, Mrs. John Bloem. Best Reveiter—Wishing Well Music Maker, Red. Miss Lois La Brant. LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Naomi Favors. Best Cat, Best Ct. Best Sil.—Ahmaq of Katnip Korner, Chu f, Mr. & Mrs. J. J. Small. 2nd Rest Cat, Best Sc.—Ch Madeira Belinda, Blk f, Mrs. A. 1. Madeira. OS Cat, Best Gr Ch, OS SIl.—Shy's Castle His Royal Shyness. OS Ch.—Blue Ridge Twinkle HI of Blu-Acre, Blue m, Mrs. Wanda Scott. Best Nov, OS SC.—Normont Jubilee H of West Allis, Blue m, Mrs. Lester O'Neill. OS Nov.—Smallburst Blue Mischief, Blue f, Mr. & Mrs. J. Small. Best Open.—Sno Pandah's Little Girl, OE Wh f, Patricia Listoe. OS Open, OS T&T—Eleo S Major Markwell, Red Tby m, Ella Conroy. Best T&T—Ch Madeira Cashmere, Bl Cr, Mrs. A. 1. Madeira. Best Kit.—Bloembill Largo, Bl Cr, Mrs. John Bloem. Best Neuter—Blue Gables Sophisti-Cat Too, OE Wh, Muriel Morton Koenig, SHORTMAR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Moon Favors. Best Cat, Best Gr. Dest Sla.—Dalai Jakki, SP m, Virginia Daly, 2nd Best Cat, Best Ct, Best St.—Bellee's Vignette of Willouise, m, Mary Louise Fix, OS Cat, OS Ch, OS SC, OS DSH.—Evergreen's Junio of Sliver Quest, Bet Wh, M, Kay Thoma McQuillen. Best Nov.—Formada Royal Prince, SP m, Marguerite Wilson, OS Nov.—Chirn Sa-hai Kiti of Dalai, BP f, Virginia Daly, Best Open.—Form Dellia of Ri-Bo, Brn. Tby DSH f, Miss Patricla Stack, OS FSH, O

Best RB—Casa Gatos Inga, f, Alice M. Frisch. Best Kit—Green Lane Van of Velvet Shadow, CF m. J. Engelsber. 08 Kit—Fairbank Cyree, SP f, Mrs. L. R. Singer.

GLEVELAND PERSIAN SOCIETY (GFA) 24th Ch Shew, Gleveland, Ohlo. Nov. 3—4, 1956. ALL BREED—Judge, Mrs. C. F. Retter. Best Cat. Best Ch. Best LH. Best SC—Madelra Belinda, Bik f, Mrs. A. I. Madeira. 2nd Best Cat. Best SB—Ch Ahmag of Katnip Korner, Chin f, Mr. & Mrs. J. J. Small. 08 Cat. Best SC—Molevel Mrs. Commont. Blue m. Mrs. Merald Hong, 08 Ch—Longhill's Michael. Cr. m. Mrs. Gilbert W. Rose. Best Nov—Millowood Barbara, Red f, Mrs. Gilbert Rose. 08 Nov—Jack Frest of Rose Lane, 0E Wh m. E. D. Riedel. Best Open—Golden Flare of Normout, Cr. m. Mrs. Lois Holda. 08 Open—Chrir Sa-hai Giscile. SP f, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Schwinger. 08 Sil—Ch Buzzle. Jr., Sli Sli m. Mrs. Wm. Hanson. Best T&T—Dwende Cloud Nine, Bi Cr., Mrs. E. L. Schaus. 08 T&T—Sunny Land Robin of Jay Kay, Brn Tby m, Mrs. Dorothy B. Anderson. Best RB—Ch Casa Gatos Carina o'Bograe, Mr. & Mrs. L. F. Schuler. Best Sil—Texa. CP m. Madeline Christy. 08 Sil—Ch Catinness Mallwan, BP f, Mrs. C. G. Learn. Best DSH—Ch Silver Quest Vigabond King, 0E Wh m, Kay Thoma McQuillen. Best Max—Son Chat Lida, Brn Tby f, Mrs. Edith Heatherly 08 Manx—Ch Marmans Blue Joe, Blue m, Mrs. Richard Tracy. 08 Aby—Ch Caperca Trinket of Selene, f, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Schuler. Best Burness—Ch Reeba Ka, f. Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter & Saundra. 08 Burnese—Ko-Ko-Mo of Elyria, m, Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter & Saundra. 08 Burnese—Ko-Ko-Mo of Elyria, m, Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter & Saundra. 08 Burnese—Ko-Ko-Mo of Elyria, m, Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter & Saundra. 08 Surnese—Ko-Ko-Mo of Elyria, m, Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter & Saundra. 08 Surnese—Ko-Ko-Mo of Elyria, m, Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter & Saundra. 18 Sest Kit—Karen of Normont, Cr f, Mrs. Merald Hoag, 08 Kit—Westone's Quito, 06 Wh. Mrs. Long Alla Sir Gal of Normont, Cr m, Mrs. Hoag, 2nd Best Cat, Best Cat, Best Ch, Leonard Sir Gal of Normont, Cr m, Mrs. Longer, Blue m, Mrs. Alberten Sa

CONNECTICUT CAT FARCIERS (CFF) Hartford, Conn., Nov. 3-4, 1956. ALL BREED—Judge, Mrs. Ella Conroy. Best Cat, Rest Ch, Rest SH, Best Sia—Cymri Cyessa, BP f, Lillian Pedulla. 2nd Best Cat, Best Ch, Best SH, Best Sia—Cymri Cyessa, BP f, Lillian Pedulla. 2nd Best Cat, Best LH, Best SH, Best Sia—Cymri Cyessa, BP f, Lillian Pedulla. 2nd Best Cat, Best LH, Best T&T—Ch Kathe's Chicadee of Longhill, Bi Cr, Mrs. Gertruck Rathe. 08 Cat, 08 Open, 08 LH, 08 SC —Kay-Ru Beau Geste, Blue m, Mrs. H. J. G. Rudolph. Best Open, Best SC—Hermscrest Star Dust, Blue r, Mrs. Tances Herms Best Gr Ch, Best SH.—Casa Contenta Capriec, Chin f, Margaret Lovett, 08 Gr Ch—Fomonoch's Bassal Peling II. SP m, Mrs. Julia Kohlus. 08 Ch, Best Aby—Rosa-Noma Aly Reza, m, Norma Walsh. US Aby—Ch Su-Ryan Dina Hassan, f, Norma Walsh. Best Nov—Millbrook's Jennife, SP f, Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Roose. 08 Nov—Casa Loma Cossanova, 0E Wh m, Michael J. Campo. 08 SSI—Sliverette's Irrestible of Kute Kit, Sh Sil m, Mrs. MJ. Wilson. 68 T4st—Wepaway Lover Boy, Red Tby m, Mrs. Ella Innes. 08 SH, 08 Sia—Tahdt Yule, SP m, Mrs. Edith Wetter. Best DSH—Ch Bennous Bore Shella, Sil Tby f, Mrs. Frank Freudenthal. 08 DSH—Ch Silver Sir Jokko, Sil Tby m, John F, Luddy. Best Burnese—Bagrae Meba of Hollycat, f, Mr. & Mrs. H. G. Stackhouse. 08 Burnese—Anyo Mee-Bahn, m, Eileen Greer. Best Kit—Elmrose Jaspurr Lad, Red Tby m, Mrs. Spiula Basset. Lonchala R SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Betty Yeonopama. Best Cat, Best Gat, Best Ch, Best Sil—Robelaine's Resplendent, Chin f, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Bellham. 2nd Rest Cat, Best Gr. Ch.—Casa Contents Capriec, Chin f, Margaret Lovett. 08 Cat, Best Open, Rest St—Elu-Frost Adagio, Jr. Blue m, Mr. & Mrs. Rajph Thomson. GS Ch.—Blu-Frost White Robin, OE Wh m, Mr. & Mrs. Thomson. Best Nov—Longhill

Cats Show Calendar

March

2—Oakland, Calif.—Golden Gate Cat Club, Inc. (UCF). All Breed—Longhair Division (D. Dean Henderson); All Breed—Shorthair Division (Leila Paterson); LH Specialty (Phyllis Whitney); SH Specialty (Mrs. Richard Birkett).

3—Oakland, Calif.—California Cat Fanciers (UCF). All Breed—Longhair Division (Leila Paterson); All Breed—Shorthair Division (D. Dean Henderson); LH Specialty (Louise Price); SH Specialty (Doris O'Connell).

2-3—Washington, D. C.—Cat Fanciers of Washington, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. John H. Revington); Longhair and Shorthair Specialties (Mrs. Richard O'Donovan).

2-3—Miami, Fla.—The Cathins (ACFA). All Breed (Mrs. Frances Kosierowski); Longhair Color Specialties; Shorthair Breed Specialties; Longhair Color Specialties.

Specialties. (Judges to be announced.)

Blossomtime, Blue f, Rita Swenson. 08 Nov—Casa Loma Cassanova, 0E Wh m, Michael J. Campo. 08 Open, 08 SC—Barbe Bleue Laurette, Blk f, Mrs. Frances Herms. 08 Sil—Silverette's Irresistible of Kute Kit, 8h Sil m, Mrs. M. J. Wilson. Best T&T—Ch Kathe's Chicadee of Longhill. Bl Cr, Mrs. Gertrude Kathe. 08 T&T—Wepsway Lover Bey, Red Tby m, Mrs. Elia Innes. Best Kit—Callavorn Sun Glory, Red Tby f, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Trat. 08 Kit—Kingshill Rajah, Bik m, Mrs. Ruth Green. Best Spay—Blu-Front Wee Pause, Blue, Mrs. Julia Basset. \$M6RTHAIR SPECIALTY—Judgs, Mrs. Retty Vassgmans. Best Cat, Best Cat, Best Cat, Pest Sia—Pomonock's Rascal Pelking II, SP m, Mrs. Julia Kohlus. 2nd Best Cat, Rest Ch—Cymri Cyro, SP m, Lillian Pedulla. 08 Cat, Best Open, 08 Sis—Pomonock's Daphne of Millbrook, SP f, Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Roose. 08 Ch, Rest DSH—Benmoat Bore Shella, Sil Tby f, Mrs. Frank Freudenthal. Best Nor—Millbrook's Jennifer, SP f, Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Roose. 08 Nov—Anyo Mee-Bhan, Burnese m, Elleen Greer. 08 Open, Best Aby—Hermscrest Rare-Bit, m, Mrs. Frances Herms. 08 Aby—Caper Cat Lais of Cabpass, f, Carollae Herz. 08 DSH—Ch. Sliver Sil Jolko, Sil Tby m, John F. Loddy, Best Burnese—Ross-Noma Lady Celeste, f, Norma B. Walsh. 08 Burnese—Ross-Noma Lady Celeste, f, Norma B. Walsh. 08 Burnese—Grant Park. Best Kit—Wan Hol, BP m, Mrs. Edna Hoffman. 08 Kit—Linchee, SP f, Frank E. Tomlinson. Best Neuter—Jing Ling Lee, SP, Gluny Lee.

Isis of Caispuss, f, Caroline Herz. OS DSH—Ch Silver Sir Jolko, Sil Thy m. John F. Loddy. Best Burmese—Rosa-Noma Lady Celeste, f, Norma B. Walsh. OS Burmese—Cymr! Pack-Ma, m. Lillian Pedulins. Best Kit—Wam Hol, BP m. Mrs. Edina Hoffman. OS Kit—Linchee, SP f, Frank E. Tomilinson. Best Neuter—ling Ling Lee, SP. (1988). The Committee of the Commit

Everett. LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mars Namen. Best Cat, Best Open, Best SC—The Ragged Bear, blue m, Mirs. Lois Slaven. 2nd Best Cat, 08 Cat, 08 Open, Best Tât—Rocky Mountain Cinderella, hi er, Samy Hirsig. Best Ch. 08 SC.—Camber Betsy Bob of Bocky Mountain, blue f, Samy Hirsig. 68 CH, Best Sil—Lingah Fumajo of Denver, bik smoke m, Lois Padgett. 08 Sil—Ch Kiva's Bella Koola of Denver, bik smoke f, Lois Padgett. Best Nor—Gale Knoll Harry Lute Jr., blue m, Cora L. Parish. 08 Nov—Harnell Cherl Blu, blue f, Mirs. Ben Stone. 08 Tåt—Ch Hew Webbe, red tby m, Anne Webb. Best Kit—Lacey, red f, Pearl M. McClain. 08 Kit—Venus Golden Boy, cr m, Lois Slaven. Best Neuter—Denver Bed Comet, red tby, Sherry Foster. Best Spay—Henl-Peni of De-Lee, chin, Mr. & Mirs. Lester Evrett. SHORTHAIR SPECIALTY—Indep, Mars Hanson. Best Cat, Best Gr Ch, Best DSH—Ramayana Jenna of Gray Honce Farm, ell tby f, Whitney D. Abt. 2nd Best Cat, Best Cat, Best Gray Horse Farm's Ebon-Al blis m, Whitney D. Abt. 08 Ch—Kwan Yin's Angelica of Re Ru, CP f, H. A. Pierson. Best Nov—Gryffin Sliver Pinta of Navajo, sil tby DSH f, Mirs. E. R. Myrick. 08 Nov. 08 Aby—Ta-Lee-Ho's Joseph, m, Mirs. Robert Poindexter. Best Aby—Ta-Lee-Ho's Joseph, m, Mirs. Robert Poindexter. Best Aby—Ta-Lee-Ho's Mary, f, Mirs. Flosiedu Beer. 08 RB—Ch. Trolka's Prince Cobalt, m, Mirs. Beer. Best Kut—Tae Tau, BP f, Mirs. Arthur C. Frey. 08 Kit.—Wah-Lee So-Lo, SP m, Mirs. Cert Walley Ess Rest Neute—Ch Choyja Chin Chee, SP, Mirs. Norbert Johnson. Best Spay—Ch Tanja Tinker Belle, BP, Mrs. Norbert Johnson.

Arthur C. Frey. OS KiL—Wah-Lee So.-O., SP m, Mrs. Porter Walley, Best Neuter—Ch Choyia Chin Chee, SP, Mrs. Norbert Johnson. Best Spay—Ch Tanja Tinker Belle, BP, Mrs. Norbert Johnson.

Garden STATE CAT CLUB OF NEW JERSEY (CFA) East Orange, N. J., Dec. 1-2, 1956. All. BREED—Judge, Mr. Bebert Martin. Best Cat. Best Gr. Best Lil. Best SC —Ch. Zeat Jest Gr. Rest Lil. Gr. Ch. Seat Lil. Best SC —Ch. Seat Lil. Gr. Ch. Seat Lil. Best SC —Ch. Seat Lil. Best SC —Ch. Seat Lil. Gr. Ch. Seat Lil. Mrs. Mrs. All Golg. 2nd Best Cat.—Gr. Ch. Normont's Sandman, Cr. m., Mrs. Hoag, OS Cat. Best Open, OS Lil. Best T&T—Hungua's Punsusutawney, B. Cr., Mrs. & Mrs. T. L. Martinke, OS Gr. Ch. Best DSH—H. M.S. Mystical of Cobourg, Sil. Tby f, Mrs. Merald Hoag Best Ch.—Bu-Ling Bollo II of Tally-Ho, Blue m, John Machoka, Jr. OS Ch.—Kathler Schleadee of Longhill's Fileka of Minqua, Cr. f, Mr. & Mrs. T. I. Martinke, Best SIL—Ch. Frosti of Angelus of Calwert, Chin m, Mrs. Stella Calwert, OS SIL—Ch. Longhill's Fileka of Minqua, Cr. f, Mr. & Mrs. T. I. Martinke, Best SIL—Ch. Frosti of Experance, Sh Sil f, Mrs. Pauline Filkins, OS 7437—Ch. Sunnyland Calumet of Mingua, Br. Tby m. Mrs. Lillian Fedulla, OS BEH—Ch. Silver'S Ir Joke, Silver'D Hononeck's Daphne of Milbrook, Sf f, Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Roose, OS Sil. OS SIL—Ch. Cymri. Cyro, SF m, Mrs. Lillian Fedulla, OS BEH—Ch. Silver'S Ir Joke, Sil Tby m, John E. Loddy, Best Jains—ch. Bon Changelus of Care of Pentagon, f, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Stackhouse, Best Kit—Ksee—Bograe's Meba of Hollycat, f, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Stackhouse, Best Kit—Ksee—Ch. Cymri. Pad-Ms, m, Mrs. Lillian Predulla, OS Burmese—Bograe's Meba of Hollycat, f, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Stackhouse, Best Kit—Sween, Best Cat, Best Ch.—Birdvilla Jason, Cr. m, Mr. & Mrs. R. W. Bridd Houg, 2nd Best Cat, Best Ch.—Birdvilla Jason, Cr. m, Mr. & Mrs. R. W. Bridd Soc. Rest Nor.—Ch. Mrs. Ninhamed. Blue f, Mrs. & Mrs. A. Green. OS Nor—Birch Haven Of Windower, Sil Tby, Mrs. Samuel Getter. Solido Spi—Miss Hopan's Solido Spine. Mrs. Normal Spine. Spine. Ch. Mrs. Ninha

SACRAMENTO VALLEY CAT FANCIERS, (CFA) 4th Ch Show, Sacramente, Callfornia. Nev. 24-25, 1956. ALL BREED—Judge, Mrs. Frances News. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best LH, Best Sil—La Chatta of Beverly-Serrano, Chin f, Mrs. V. Obburn Peterson. 2nd Best Cat, 68 Cat, Best Nov. 08 LH, Best SC—Winnauma Pierrot of Zoda. Blue m, Zoe & Kenneth McEschern. Best Gr Ch—HRH Marin Princess Always, SP f, Mrs. Spencer Smiley. 08 Ch—Amilita Patriot of Casa Ciclo, Blue m, Mrs. Joan Van Zele & Mrs. Walker Johnston. 08 Nov—Dawning Glory's Karo Jeanne, Chin f, Mrs. Fern Baker. Best Open—Bio-Tae's H-Volt-Age, SP f, Eloise & Frank Magnan. 08 Onen—Silver Mess Sir Pixygnen, Chin m, Mr. & Mrs. Harold E. Webb. 08 SC—Ch Flastone Goldell of Victorian, Cr f, Val Malstrom. 08 Sil—Ch Silver Mess Sir Valiant, Chin m, Mr. & Mrs. Harold E. Webb. Best T&T—Mclody Melinda of San-Dee, Brn Tby f, Miss Sandra Flyun. 08 T&T—Truf-E-Nuf of San-Dee, Brn Tby f, Miss Sandra Flyun. 08 T&T—Truf-E-Nuf of San-Dee, Brn Tby f, Miss Sandra Flyun. 08 T&T—Truf-E-Nuf of San-Dee, Brn Tby f, Miss Sandra Flyun. 08 T&T—Silver Mrs. R. D. Forrest. 08 Sis—Koccak's Lu-E-Tu, BP m, Mrs. Helen Koscak Best DSH—Walans, Sil Tby f, Mr. & Mrs. T. W. Carrithera. 08 DSH—Casa Blanca White Christmas, BE Wh m, Romald Roysum. Beet Many.—Bi-Bo'n Nixie, Tortie, Rita & Bob Wilson. 08 Aby—Bograe Natth. f, Mr. & Mrs. R. D. Forrest. 68 Bb—HRB Marin f, Mrs. Spencer Smiley. 08 Burnese—Regal Mehea of HEH Marin. f, Mrs. Spencer Smiley. 08 Burnese—Regal Prince Pogo. m, Mrs. W. Grand Duchess, f, Mrs. Spencer Smiley. Best Kit—Amilita Petite Queedette, Blue f, Mrs. Walker Johnston, 08 Kit—Rania's Sir Roderick, Blk m, Marie L. Bania. Best

Neuter—Post Script. Brn Tby, Mrs. Ralph McDonald. Best Spay—Silver Queen of the Valley, Chin, Kathleen & Jackie Sinkins. Long Half Special Law. Bretail Spay. Briter Queen of the Valley, Chin, Kathleen & Jackie Sinkins. Long Half Special Spay. Blue m. Zoc & Kenneth McEachern. 2nd Best Cat, Best Sc—Winauma Pierrot of Zoda, Blue m. Zoc & Kenneth McEachern. 2nd Best Cat, Best Open—Kitten Kats Buddy Boy, Blk m, Yvonne Leifermann OS Cat, OS Nov, OS Sil—Beerly-Sernan Pettle, Chin f, Mrs. V. Obburn Peterson. Best Sil—Silver Mesa Sir Vallant, Chin m, Mr. & Mrs. Harold E. Webb. Best Ch.—Azullita Patriot of Casa Cielo, Blue m, Mrs. Joan Van Zele & Mrs. Walker Johnston. OS Ch.—Silver Mesa Miss Pixyanne, Sh Sil f, Mr. & Mrs. E. E. Webb. OS Open—Shanna Groith Cuddleen Wild Rose, OE Wh f, Colleen Aslyn. OS SC.—Shanna Groith's Black Pearl, Blk f, Colleen Aslyn. Best 7&T—Casa St. Cyr's Velva, Tortic, G. Evelyn Mctealfe. OS 7&T—Tuf-E-Nuf of San Dee, Brn. Tby m, Mrs. A. J. Flynn. Best Kit.—Azullia Petite of Queedette, Blue f, Mrs. Walker Johnston. OS Kit.—Azullia Powhatan, Blue m, Mrs. Johnston. Best Neuter Green-bough's Columbine. Chin, Dorothy Hare. Best Spay.—Silver Queen of the Valley, Chin, Kathleen & Jackie Simkins. ShORTHAIR Special Liver Judge, Mrs. C. F. Rotter. Best Cat, Best Open, Best FSH, Best Burmese—Bograe's Burma Grabo of Mau Tien, f, Mrs. Ruth Fisher. 2nd Best Cat, OS Cat, OS Open, OS FSH, Best Sis.—Fan-T-Cee's Tee Cee, SP m. Mr. & Mrs. Fred Galvin. Best Gr Ch.—HRH Marin Princess Always, SP f, Mrs. Spencer Smilley. Best Ch Best Aby—Bograe's Simbu, m, Mr. & Mrs. R. D. Forrest. OS CH., OS Sis.—Koscak's Choco-Vizen, CP f, Mrs. Helen Koscak. Best Nov—Medicine Lake Sulu of Jen.-Kins, SP f, Mrs. J. G. Jenkins. OS Nov—Koscak's Lee-Tru, BP m, Mrs. Helen Koscak. Best DSH—Tam Val My Cilla, Blk f, Barbara & Eleanor Funston. OS DSH—Tam Val My Cilla, Blk f, Barbara & Eleanor Funston. OS SBM—Tam Val My Cilla, Blk f, Barbara & Eleanor Funston. OS SBM—Tam Val My Cilla, Blk f, Barbara & Eleanor Funston. OS SBM—Tam Val My Cilla, B

Medicine Lake Eiris, SP m, Mrs. James G. Jenkins. 08 Kii—Medicine Lake Maris, SP f. Mrs. James G. Jenkins. Best Neuter—Post Seript, Brn 709, Mrs. Raijh McDonald St. Mrs. James G. Jenkins. Best Neuter—Post Seript, Brn 709, Mrs. Raijh McDonald St. Mrs. James G. Jenkins. Best Cat, Rest Ch, Best LH, Best SI.—Pavors Maxim of Bevely-Serrano, Chin m, Mrs. Naomi Favors. 20 Mest Cat, Rest SI.—Pavors Maxim of Bevely-Serrano, Chin m, Mrs. Naomi Favors. 20 Mest Cat, Rest GP, Best SC, OS LH—Blue Gables Snow Girl II OE Wh f, Mrs. Marie Wilson. 08 Ch, OS T&T.—Elico's Major Mark Well, Red Thy m, Ella Conroy, OS Cat, Rest GF Ch, Best SC, OS LH—Blue Gables Snow Girl II OE Wh f, Mrs. Marie Wilson. 08 Ch, OS T&T.—Blue Gables Glamour Girl, Bl Cr, Mrs. Marle Wilson. 08 Ch, OS T&T.—Blue Gables Glamour Girl, Bl Cr, Mrs. Marle Wilson. 08 Ch, OS T&T.—Blue Gables Sow Girl II OE Wh f, Mrs. Marie Wilson. 08 Ch, OS T&T.—Hilla, OE Wh f, Patricla Listoc. 08 Sil.—Favors Twilight Twinkle, Chin f, Mrs. Anomi Favors. Best SR, OS Sil.—Favors Twilight Twinkle, Chin f, Mrs. Anomi Favors. Best SR, Best Sia.—Ammon Ra's Fawn Lady, SP f, Lillian Magner. 08 SR, OS Sis.—Ch Dalai Jakki, SP m, Virginia Daly. Best DSH.—Casanova's Tabiths, Brn Tby f, Edith V. McPhee. 08 DSH.—Beta. Red m, Mrs. R. G. Fox, Jr. Best Manx.—Ch Willowrock Ebony, Bik m, Angie Boughman. 08 Manx.—Dol-Li-San of the Churches, OE Wh f, Mrs. E. L. Schaus. Best Aby—Ta-Lee-Ho's Autumn of Wah-Ji, f, Edna Helm. 08 Aby—Ta-Lee-Ho's Rake of Wah-Ji, m, Edna Helm. Best Burnese.—Kon-Ke-Ke Ree-Ba-Ka, f, Mr. & Mrs. Slauter. Best Kit—Ayme-Tu-Wynn Mickey, Blk m, Mrs. M. E. Thorne. 08 Kit.—Willowrest Tura, 0E Wh f, Beatrice Stack. Best Neuter—Burma Kanebo, Burmese, Mrs. R. N. Pendleton. Best Spay—Silver Angel, Sh Sli, Miss Helen E. Nokes. LOMGHAIR SPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Walter Rehbein. Best Cat, Best Nowers, Mrs. R. N. Pendleton. Best Spay—Silver Angel, Sh Sli, Miss Helen E. Nokes. ShoRT—Hills Dilber Silver Angel, Sh Sli, Mrs. Naurie Shaw.

M. S. TAT—Hillowerest Tura, OE Wh f, Beatrice Stack. Best Neuter—

Helm. 68 Aby—Ta-Lee-Ho's Rake of Wah-Ji, m, Mrs. Helm. Best Burmese—Kon-Ke-Ke (KoKoMo, m, Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter. 08 Burnese—Kon-Ke-Ke Ree-Ba-Ka, f, Mr. & Mrs. Slauter. Best Kit—Theleo Chai Charoen, SF m, Thelma Hagamam. 08 Kit—Kon Ke-Ke Contenses Prissana, Burmese f, Mr. & Mrs. Alberten Slauter. Best Neuter—Mo-De-Tiko, SP, Mrs. Jack Connor. Best Spay—Jayne's Cindi Lou, SP, Syle A. Jayne.

MONTSEAL CAT FANCIERS (ACA) Montreal, Canada, Nov. 4, 1956. 2nd Ch Show, All BREED—Judgees—II Division, Mrs. Rutt McNaesphan; SH Division, Mrs. Rutt McNaesphan; SH Division, Mrs. Hill. 2nd Best Cat, Best Nove, Best SI, Best Sia—Shan Ling Po Vin, SP f, Mrs. E. R. Pringle. 08 Ch—Moonbeam of Shan Ling, BP f, Mrs. M. Elliott, 08 Nov. 08 SH. 98 Sia—Wu Tsinban, SP m, Mrs. Lillian King, Best Open—Roddy of Dunesk, Blue m, Mrs. J. Warwick, 08 Open, 08 SC, Best DSH—Muguette, BE Wb f, Mrs. G. Houle. 08 LH—Ch Rosalie of Allington, Blue f, Mrs. J. Warwick, 08 DSH—Skipper, Blk m, Mrs. P, Moisan. Best Kit—Prestwood Mignonette, Blue f, Mrs. Martha Martin. 08 Kit—Satan, SP m, Miss P. Waller. Best Neuter—Aly Nerf, Aby, Miss R. Couper. Best Spay—Nina Kersch, Blk, Miss Constance McMillan. LONGHAIR SPECIALTY—Judge. Mrs. Max Fiedder. Best Cat, 08 Cat, 08 Open, Best T&T—Sherry's Pride, Tortie, Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor. Best Ch Best Nov. Best Open, Best Sil—Frostle, Sh Sil m, Mrs. Little, Best Sil—Abrostle, Sh Sil m, Mrs. Little, Mrs. Billian King, Sil T, Mrs. J. T. Duchesne. 08 T&T—Taffy McTavish, Red Tby m, Mrs. H. Hill. Best Kit—Trestwood Mignonette, Blk, Miss Constance McMillan. CAT FANCIERS OF NEW ORLEANS (ACA) 7th Ch Show, New Orleans, La, 0ct. 20-22, 1956. ALL BREED—Linge, Mrs. Karth McNaughtan. Best Cat, Best Nov. Best Sil—Abrostle, Sh Sil m, Mrs. J. T. Duchesne. 08 T&T—Taffy McTavish, Red Tby m, Mrs. H. Hill. Best Kit—Trestwood Mignonette, Blk, Miss Constance McMillan. CAT FANCIERS OF NEW ORLEANS (ACA) 7th Ch Show, New Orleans, La, 0ct. 20-22, 1956. ALL BREED—Linge, Mrs. Karth McNaughtan. Best Cat, Best Nov. Best Sil—Abrostle, Sil T, Mrs.

Best Kit—Woolman Pogo, Blue m, Mr. & Mrs. G. C. Woolman. OS Kit—Jay's Blue Queen, RB f, Mr. Felix Plaisance, Jr. Best Neuter—Three-D Chickama, BP, Bucksin Bill, WAFB-TV. Best Spay—Spoo Go, Smoke, Mr. J. McKinstry. LONGHAIR SFECIALTY—Judga, Mrs. Henry Bode. Best Cat, Best Ch, Best T&T—Floridanus Jungle Jewel, Brn Tby f, Maud R. Barney, 2nd Best Cat, OS Cat, Best Nov. Best SC.—Windibanks Breezi, Odd E Wh m, Mrs. F. L. Tebbetts. OS Ch, OS Sil—Floridanus Misty Night, Smoke m, Maud R. Barney, Comp. Mon-Winnie Gal, Red Tby f, Mr. & Mrs. Kelley. Best Open, OS T&T—Floridanus Jungle Lad, Brn Tby m. Maud R. Barney. OS Open, OS SC—Ro-Va Belle of Woolman, Blue f, Mr. & Mrs. G. C. Woolman. Best Kit—Dixiland Lark of Windibank, Blue f, Mrs. John Revington & Mrs. F. L. Tebbetts. OS Kit—Negrie of Gatos Finos, Blik m, Bert D. Hernandez. Best Neuter—Admiration of Blue Lace, Blue, Miss Jane Charlotte Bright. SHORT—HAIR SFEGIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Henry Bode. Best Cat, Best Nov. Best SC, Best Manx—Truantail Gerda Dhu Lleo, Odd E Wh f, Mrs. Fred Hoyt, 2nd Best Cat, Best Manx—Truantail Gerda Dhu Lleo, Odd E Wh f, Mrs. Fred Hoyt, 2nd Best Cat, Best Manx—Trioridanus Tangelo, Red Tby m, Maud R. Barney. OS Ch, OS Nov, OS FSH, Best Sla—Three-D Demi-D, BP m, Mrs. D. D. Davis. Best Ch, Best T&T, OS Manx—Floridanus Tangelo, Red Tby m, Maud R. Barney. OS Ch, OS Burmess—Dobyns Best Sla—Three-D Demi-Dours Willows Marsiah Anawrahta, m, Mrs. T. A. Dobyns. Best Sli, OS DSH—Ouze Welesteka, Sh Sli m, Dr. Elizabeth Mee & Dr. Mary Myatt. Best DSH—Lucretia, Blk f, Mr. & Mrs. V. A. de Fleron. OS Slia—Dobyns Love Lee, SP f, Mrs. T. A. Dobyns. Best Kit—Black Dahlis. Blk f, Mr. & Mrs. V. A. de Fleron. OS Slia—Dobyns Love Lee, SP f, Mrs. T. A. Dobyns Teasing Yu, SP m, Mrs. T. A. Dobyns. Best Kit—Black Dahlis. Blk f, Mr. & Mrs. Best Kit—Black Dahlis. Blk f, Mr. J. McKinstry.

DELAWARE VALLEY CAT FANCIERS (ACA) 2nd Ch Show, Edgely, Pa., Oct.

trook Melody of Reko, Sil Tby f, R. P. Orman & Edward Kubosch. Best Kit—Tsungha iii Ho, SP m, Florence Leopold, GS Kit—Van Lxu's Platine, BP f, Lynne Var der Poel. Best Spay—Petit, Sil Tby, Mira. George Sand, Long Island, Rew Yerk. Oct. 12, 1956. 3rd 6 Show. All. BREED—Judge, Mirs. Jasperine Hedrick Jones. Best Cat. Best Nov, Best LH, Best T&T—Minqua's Punssutawney, Bl Cr, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Martinke. 2nd Best Cat., Best Open. Best Sil—Bibelaine's Resplendent, Chin f, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Bellham. OS Cat. OS Open. OS LH, Best SC—Bancroft's Topper II, OE Wh m, Mrs. Janet Combes. Best th—Casa Contenta Caprice, Chin f, Margaret Lovett. OS Ch, OS SH, OS Siz—Built'n Houdini, SP m, Mrs. C. G. Learn. Best SH, Best Siz—Frinding Caresse of Cymri, BP f, Mrs. Lillian Fedulia. OS Nor—Tsinghai Milkee Wae, CP m, Florence Leopold. OS SC—Marleon Passing Fancy, Elk f, Margaret Lovett. OS SI, Best DSH—Ch. Silver Siz Jokko, Sil Tby m, John Luddy. Or Aft—Elmrose Davy Crockett, Rea Tby m, Mrs. John Luddy. OS DSH—Evergreet, Junn of Silver Quest, Be Wh f, Mrs. Kay Thoma McQuillen. Best Manx—Willoa. rock Craigneish, Blue m, Angie Boughman. Best Aby—Su-Byan Lakme, f, Mrs. Alyce Rosenberg. Best Burmese—Kai Bai Kuuipo, f, Capt. K Bastlan. OS Burmese—Kon-Ke-Ke KoKoMo, m, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald H. Dickey, Sr. Best Kit—Duquess Florizel. Bi Cr, Mrs. Helen M. Brod. OS Kit—Minqua's Chickasaw, Cr m, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Martinke. Best Neuter—Mr. MeWitty, Sil, M. Carle O'Connor. Best Spay—Meiling, SH, Margaretha R. Sattig. LONG HAIR ScPECIALTY—Judge, Mrs. Henry Bode. Best Cat, Best Open. Best SC—Bancroft's Topper II, OE Wh m, Mrs. John Luddy. OS Chc—Sunnyland Calumet of Minqua, Brn Tby m, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Martinke. Best Cat, Best Spil—Lesa Contenta Caprice, Chin f, Margaret Lovett. OS Ch.—Sunnyland Calumet of Minqua, Brn Tby m, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Martinke. Best Nov—Duendes Lil Eche, Bi r, Mrs. E. L. Schaus, OS Nov—Longhill's Blue Mike of Camedcals, Blue m, Mrs. S. Modarsky, Best T&T—Elmrose Davy Crockett, Red Tby m, Mrs. John Luddy. Best Kpay—Duence Addick, m,

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Farm Cats

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alone unless you want to be well scratched, but Stumpy would always stop work to come and speak to a passerby. For me she had a special greeting which entailed rolling on her back and waving her legs in the air in a manner most unbecoming to such a matron.

This habit of going off for days on end and living on what they can catch is characteristic of farm cats. Living close to nature as they do, they must periodically respond to the call of the wild thing still in them.

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years that comes December, also comes Tabby to while the winter away sitting on a platform built for her by one of the men in the back of the store. Meals are regular and good so the open door holds no temptation for her. That is until spring is in the air. Then Tabby is off-and no one has ever learned where-to spend an eight months vacation. It could be that she is just a traveling saleslady at heart or that two loves has she.—J.L. C.

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She is survived by her husband, Mr. H. L. Driscol, to whom we extend our sympathy.

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Wintry winds driving you frantic? The old adage, "It is an ill wind that blows no one good," seems to hold true out in Iowa. The Boone News-Republican has an article about a kitten, sole survivor of a litter that somebody dumped out near the YWCA camp.

Mrs. Mary Wenner, 715 45th Place, Des Moines, wrote to the paper about Puddles, the self-same kitten. Her daughter, Carolynn, was a counselor at the camp last year and on one of the walks, came upon the abandoned litter. There was only one still alive-she took it back to the camp and kept it alive by feeding it milk. She had no bottle so she used cotton and dipped it in the warm milk.

Camp over, she took her charge home with her and he grew into a beautiful jetblack cat. When the Hawkeye Cat show opened, he was entered as a Household Pet, and won first prize as well as Best of Color. He also went home with a silver tray for being the best Shorthair cat.

They entered him again this year where he made more important wins and received his red white and blue Champion ribbon. This brings his trophies up to five first ribbons and a tray. Not at all bad for a kitten who started out life as a stray left to die The very cruel persons who tried to kill didn't know they had thrown away a champion.

Speaking of shows-did you read of the Londoner who stole all the prize ribbons at Britain's National Cat Show, pinned them on his own cat's cage and then dumped a can of cat food on the judges

when they complained?

The Greensboro, North Carolina, News reporting the episode, went on to say that most cat owners are the most reasonable of people. Just by owning a cat, one demonstrates a middle of the road attitude. He agrees to the contract knowing that the cat reserves freedom to act in defense of its vital interest without prior consulta-

"The cat owner must play the role of a Hammarskjold, negotiating with a feline Nasser who insists on laving down terms of the agreement-what it will eat, when it will eat and where it will sleep

"And likewise a cat is as difficult to win over as an 'uncommitted' nation fresh from the yoke of colonialism. The cat remains exasperatingly neutral, becoming friendly only on issues that suit the cat. It is axiomatic among cat owners that if a cat jumps up on your lap, that means the floor is cold."

We may add, they are just as unpredictable as world events. The Cleveland News relates in its columns the efforts of Coleman Kirchner of that city to get a neighborhood tom cat from under the foundation of his house. All entreaties and attempts of the human race failed to dislodge him.

A neighbor, Mrs. Strasbourger, suggested they send her cat, Mitzi, in after

him for the tom had quite a reputation as being a lady's man. Mitzi went in-and she didn't come out.

Mrs. Strasbourger had another cat with whom the imprisoned cat fought on every occasion. Perhaps they would come out fighting? Out is out-no matter how.

This cat, Charlie by name, was sent in. The question in Cleveland Heights around the Blanche Road district is how do you get three cats from under a house?

The American Automobile Association may have a solution. Their monthly publication in January had an interesting story on the various services their members call on them to render. It included saving a cat from starvation when its owner recalled, after two days of traveling, that her cat had dashed into a room stacked with lumber just before she had left and she had forgotten and boarded the room closed

The clerk located a locksmith, went to the house, released the howling animal and arranged for its care until the absentminded motorist returned from her trip.

Some jobs just call for more enterprise and heart than others, I guess.

Chance Vought Aircraft employees, plus an acetylene cutting torch kept a cat's curiosity from being the cause of its death according to the Dallas Times-Herald. Apparently, a cat had taken a self-conducted tour of the plant and while investigating a three-inch space behind a steel girder had fallen 30 feet down an eightinch wide shaft to the floor below.

An employee heard the cries and led a rescue squad to the opening through which the cat had fallen. They lowered cups of water and fresh liver and from the rate the liver was devoured, they decided the cat hadn't suffered much damage.

Refusing to come up on a cheesecloth rope they lowered, the cat's survival depended on cutting a hole through the steel girder on the lower floor. While the torch was in operation, they squirted water down the girder from above to keep the cat cool.

With freedom before, it the poor puss was either too frightened to move or too vain to be seen in her deplorable state and would not budge. When her rescuers checked later, this wayfarer had taken to her heels and no one ever did see the cat they had freed.

It is still a wonderful world when busy people will take the time and the trouble to help an animal. It is equally wonderful when an animal will make the effort to let people know they care too.

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